

REMARKS

Claims 23, 25-27, 33-38, 41, 42, 45, 60-72, and 77-80 are pending.

The claims have been placed in the proper format required by 37 CFR § 1.173 and MPEP § 1453 for reissue claims. As the rules require, all newly added claims have been fully underlined and all canceled claims have been indicated as such. Also, all the new claims have been given the status identifier: “New.”

The only changes in this paper (aside from the aforementioned format changes) are to claims 23, 25, and 41. These claims have been rewritten into independent form, canceling their dependency from canceled claim 21.

In view of the foregoing amendments and remarks, it is respectfully submitted that the application is in condition for allowance. Favorable consideration and timely allowance of the application is respectfully requested.

To the extent necessary, a petition for an extension of time under 37 CFR §1.136 is hereby made. Please charge any shortage in fees due in connection with the filing of this, concurrent and future replies, including extension of time fees, to Deposit Account 16-0607 and please credit any excess fees to such deposit account.

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